राज्य का नाम	90-91	91-92	92-93
राजस्थान	39.14	52.06	52.23
तमिलनाडु	82.58	91.02	100.36
उत्तर प्रदेश	276.54	304.94	337.25
पश्चिमी बंगाल	168.48	198.30	192.80
अन्य	2.73	3.65	8.14

Action against Persons responsible of New Kenda Coal Mines Disaster

660.SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Management of Eastern Coalfield Limited had continued operation in the New Kenda Coal Mine. Where the recent disaster took place, despite admonitions from the Directorate General of Mines Safety about the lack of minimum safety measures in the mine:

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative. the disciplinary measures taken against persons responsible for this irregularity; and

(c) whether Government propose to launch criminal prosecution against the persons concerned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c): Do not arise.

Utilisation of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery

661. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Coal India has fixed very low norms of utilizastion of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery;

(b) if so, the basis of fixation of these norms and the authority who has done it;

(c) whether these norms fixed to monitor the optimum use of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery do not compare well *vis-a-vis* coal producing countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (d). Norms for utilisation of Heavy Earth Moving Machinery are formulated by Central Mine Planning and Design Institute Ltd., a subsidiary of Coal India Ltd. and are approved by the Board of CIL. While formulating these norms, CMPDIL, *inter alia*, takes into consideration operating geological and geo-mining conditions, availability of necessary infrastructure etc. The prevailing norms are not low but are realistic. As reliable data regarding the norms followed in other countries are not available, any comparison with the norms followed in our country will be inappropriate.

Investment made by Coal India Ltd. on Heavy Earth Moving Machinery

662. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) how much investment as on date has been made by Coal India on Heavy Earth Moving Machinery, the details separately for each type of equipment;

(b) what are the indices in terms of which utilization of these Heavy Earth Moving Machinery is defined;

(c) how far this utilization of HEMM, itemwise, is being made;